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A VERY POINTED HINT

Which Rector Herman Ahlwardt
Should be Quick to Take.

HE IS NOT WANTED IN THIS COUNTRY.

Whose Fundamental Doctrines He Has
Come to Attempt to Undermine
and Subvert—Jew-Baiting Not
Popular Here.

New York, Dec. 15.—The Allen Memorial church, in Livingston street, was crowded yesterday afternoon by an audience composed chiefly of Hebrews, who came to attend the meeting for protest against Rector Herman Ahlwardt. The speakers were Rev. Horace Byrnes of the Allen Memorial church, Rev. Frank W. North, secretary of the New York City Church Extension and Mission society of the Methodist Episcopal church; Dr. George W. Van Alstine, presiding elder of the Brooklyn North Conference of the Methodist church, and Rev. A. C. Gabelin, of the Hope of Israel mission. No address was made in Hebrew, or by one of that faith, all the speakers being Christians.

Dr. Gabelin opened the meeting. He said that those who were present had come to this country at the invitation of its government. "We are all American citizens and we are all here to live and prosper. We have the same rights here as any other citizen and the Americans will not permit us to be assailed by this man. They will not only refuse to hear him, but they will see other cities now that they know what he will say, will refuse to permit him to come there to revile us."

Dr. North read a letter from Dr. Charles Parkhurst, in which he said, among other things: "It is a matter of the deepest regret that I am unable to attend the meeting, but I shall take the privilege of so far contributing to the occasion as to address you in written form." I have no sympathy with "Jew-baiting" and it is my hope that the cold reception accorded to Dr. Ahlwardt at Cooper Union last evening may have the effect to repress and destroy his impudent bluster. He has come to the wrong country for that kind of propaganda. It is part of the American idea to give every man and every nation a fair chance. While I differ in my religious views from the Hebrews, I nevertheless can never forget it is the stronghold of all subsequent civilization and it is to the Hebrew patriarchs and prophets we have to look as the source of divine revelations and upon which all latter revelations have to rest.

The other speakers made short addresses, in much the same strain as that of Dr. Gabelin and, like the letter of Dr. Parkhurst, evoked much applause.

A resolution offered by Dr. North, and adopted by unanimous vote, setting forth the sense of the meeting, was as follows:

Resolved, That as citizens of New York, the metropolis of a free country, we profoundly regret every manifestation of religious bigotry and class antagonism. We hold that with limitations as to the protection of the common peace and morality, speech should be free, and that lawless attempts to prevent men, by the use of violence, from the utterance of their convictions, should receive our opposition to the efforts to suppress this land and sea, which has found scanty soil in which to grow in the land across the sea. The attempt to suppress the free utterance of conviction belongs to the past and should be promptly met by those who have at heart the peace of the republic and should accept for their guidance the golden rule, alike to the Jew and gentile: "Do unto others as you would that they should do unto you." We wish Rector Ahlwardt a speedy return to his native country. America does not welcome him. He represents neither the true principles of the Christian faith, nor the best sentiment of Germany, and his spirit belongs to the dark ages rather than to the clear day of civilization. We who are Hebrews, scorn his attempted persecution, and declare against him as false to the spirit of the founder of our faith.

COLLIDED IN THE MERSEY.

The Steamer Indiana, from Philadelphia, Barely Saved from Sinking.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 15.—While approaching the landing stage here last evening, the British steamer Indiana, Capt. Boggs, from Philadelphia, collided with the fruit-laden steamer Zamora, which was lying at anchor. The Indiana had a large hole made in her port side about her bulkhead. There was no panic among the passengers. An attempt was made to plug the hole in her side, but it failed. The steamer was hastily towed across the river as she gave every evidence of foundering. In fact, it was thought that she would sink in midstream, and the engines of the tug were worked to their fullest capacity to prevent such a disaster.

The Zamora's stern was smashed in and her fore compartment filled with water. Her collision bulkheads were closed, however, and she was never in any danger of sinking.

NIHILIST THREATS

Against the Life of the Czar—Conspiracy Discovered—Arrests.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A dispatch to the Central News from Cracow says it is reported that the czar has lately received several threatening letters. The dispatch adds that a nihilist conspiracy against the life of his majesty has been discovered in Moscow. The police of that city have seized a number of bonds. Several arrests have been made. Among the prisoners are Rasputin, a prominent nihilist, and his wife.

The French Guard Ship Arrives.

NORFOLK, Dec. 15.—The torpedo boat, which is to act as a French guard ship has arrived here from France.

CHICAGO UNIVERSITY

The Recipient of Another Princely Gift—Miss Helen Culver the Donor.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Chicago University was yesterday the recipient of another princely gift, the donor being Miss Helen Culver, of this city. The conditions of the gift are that it shall be devoted to the increase and spread of knowledge within the field of the biological sciences. One-half of the sum donated may be used for the purpose of purchasing land and for the erection and equipment of buildings. The remainder is to be invested, the income therefrom constituting a fund for the support of research, instruction and publication.

Miss Culver, who is about sixty years of age, is a niece of the late Charles J. Hull, from whom she inherited a fortune valued at \$6,000,000, consisting largely of property in New York, Philadelphia, and Baltimore.

SAD DEATH OF A HEROINE.

Gave Up Her Life for Others on the Eve of Her Marriage.

CUMBERLAND, Md., Dec. 15.—At an early hour yesterday morning the residence of Owen Monahan, at Lonaconing, Md., 18 miles west of this city, was totally destroyed by fire. Miss Bridget, aged 22, daughter of Owen Monahan, was burned in a most horrible manner, dying a few minutes later. Miss Culver, who is about sixty years of age, is a niece of the late Charles J. Hull, from whom she inherited a fortune valued at \$6,000,000, consisting largely of property in New York, Philadelphia, and Baltimore.

THE JEWISH PASSOVER.

One Thousand Barrels of Wheat to be Used in Making Unleavened Bread.

MARCELLUS, Mich., Dec. 15.—Marcellus mills will supply 1,000 barrels of flour to be made into unleavened bread for the Jewish passover that is soon to be celebrated all over this and other countries. Monday a Jewish committee came here, inspected the mill, and afterward blessed the whole internal surroundings. Then one of the faithful started the mill machinery anew and remained on guard night and day to see that the holy flour was turned out according to the Jewish formula.

Colorado Mining Stocks.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 15.—Stocks weakened along the entire line to-day under a continued desire of many small holders to unload their holdings. The quotations at the close of the week, however, show a slight advance over last week's list. It is impossible to obtain an authentic estimate of the total sales of the week, probably seven million shares will be sold.

Jack Frost Shows Off the Steam.

ALBUQUERQUE, Pa., Dec. 15.—The severe cold snap has frozen all the small streams from which the Pennsylvania railroad has been pumping water, and the company's shops, employing 5,000 men, closed yesterday afternoon. The Duncanville rolling mill, employing 300 men, has shut down for the same cause.

Fatal Collision.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 15.—Freight train No. 31 on the Cincinnati Southern ran into the caboose of a wrecking train at the tunnel this side of High bridge, yesterday morning, instantly killing L. J. Duval and Michael O'Day, both of this city. Several others were injured.

A Temporary Reduction, Owing to Dullness of Trade.

HARTFORD, Pa., Dec. 15.—The Central iron works have decided to reduce the puddlers' wages from \$3 to \$2.75 per ton at their steel-plant, owing to the dullness in the iron trade, but have promised a restoration as soon as the situation will warrant.

A Bank President Asks.

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 15.—James B. Pace, president of the Farmers' national bank, made an assignment yesterday afternoon. The failure does not affect the bank or any other financial institution with which he is connected.

Over-Production Causes a Lay-Off.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 15.—Owing to the congested condition of the coal market, the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Co. served notice on its 4,000 employees yesterday that there would be no work the first three days of this week.

Horrible Death of an Engineer.

RICHMOND, Ind., Dec. 15.—Frank Lewellen, a well-known engineer, fell beneath his engine. His head, both feet and an arm were cut off. Lewellen was married and was 32 years of age.

The Reported Resignation of Capt. Gen. Campos Denied.

MADRID, Dec. 15.—An official denial is made of the report published by the Paris Figaro that Capt. Gen. Martinez Campos had resigned his command in Cuba.

Sport Stalls Sport.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 15.—Byron Dwyer, a well-known sporting man, was fatally stabbed on the streets last night by Joseph Moritz, another well-known sport. Moritz was arrested.

Died in an Insane Asylum.

OSHAHA, Neb., Dec. 15.—Hon. William Arthur McKeighan, populist ex-congressman from the fifth Nebraska district, died yesterday morning in the insane asylum at Hastings.

The President Found.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 15.—President Cleveland arrived here on a special train at 9:30 last night and left on this morning's tender Maple for Washington soon after. All well.

An Unlikely Report Denied.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A news agency here denies the report that Russia, Germany and France have peremptorily demanded that Japan evacuate Korea.

Tax firm of Powell & Co. has moved to

CHURCHILL'S VIEWS.

The Son of a Noble English House.

ARRIVED IN NEW YORK FROM CUBA.

Where He Had Been in Search of Pastime and Pleasure, Says Spain Must Conquer the Rebels this Winter or Retire.

New York, Dec. 15.—Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill, son of the late Lord Randolph Churchill, cousin of the duke of Marlborough, and second lieutenant in the fourth hussars, England, has arrived in this city from Cuba, where he has been watching the operations of the belligerent forces for the last eight weeks.

Mr. Churchill was seen by a reporter and emphatically denied all the rumors about the political significance of his trip. He said that he had simply been in search of pastime and pleasure, and that he had had many interesting experiences in the south.

"What is your opinion of the situation?"

"I think that owing to the nature of the war the Spanish have before them a very difficult task in the suppression of the rebellion. Although I believe them to be brave and energetic, I do not think that there is sufficient combination in the movement of their several columns to catch the insurgents or inflict upon them serious damage."

"The situation, at present, is as it has been since the outbreak of hostilities. There have been no decisive battles fought and won on either side. And let me say right here that the reported engagements as published in the foreign papers have been misleading in every respect. At every battle a few men are killed on both sides, but the problem is no nearer solution."

"If when the spring rains set in Spain is in the same position that she is now the probabilities are that the insurgents will win. Owing to the abominable condition of the roads in spring and summer it will be impossible for the Spanish to move their troops, and with the losses which must ensue from heat and pestilence, it would look as though they would have to eventually withdraw."

A WAIL FROM ARMENIA.

Why Do the Hating Powers Permit the Slaughter to Go On?

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The following letter descriptive of the critical situation in Van, eastern Turkey, has been received in Boston:

"We cannot conceive," says the writer, "what the Powers are doing. The country which they have been proposing to reform is being devastated just as fast as armed hordes of Kurds can travel from one village to another. Over one thousand Kurds are marching on the town of Shadagh for the purpose of massacre and plunder. These thousands of Kurds are gradually completing their work of devastation and will soon make a descent on the city itself."

"What is to hinder them? Even if the government were disposed to do so, the troops here are utterly insufficient for the purpose."

"The work of the last 20 days has rendered at least 15,000 people homeless and utterly destitute."

"Sassoun is a mere incident compared with what is going on now in the province. If the Powers had never touched the question of reform the people would have been better off. The savagery of the Kurds is now, however, a political crime, stirring up the Moslems to hate Christians more than ever, and then calmly leaving the people to their fate?"

Of Concern to Americans.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—A communication from Philadelphia, Pa., says: The English consul here has translated as follows an item in a Turkish paper published in this city: "General satisfaction has been caused by the bringing to light of the seditious intention of the American missionaries who, on pretext of aiding, go about the vilayets of Anatolia sowing the seeds of sedition which are in their minds; and we are glad to hear that the imperial government is taking energetic measures to suppress and drive away such masters of pernicious opinions."

The missionaries meant are those of the American board of Boston.

WITH LIFE IN HAND

The Noble Red Cross Will Go on Its Mission of Mercy to Turkey.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 15.—Miss Clara Barton, famous for her philanthropic work as the president of the National Red Cross society, delivered a lecture last night in the Second Universalist church in Philadelphia. Miss Barton stated that invitations to take charge of the work of securing the destitute and starving Armenians came to the Red Cross society from all parts of the country. As members of the Red Cross are always ready to go to any part of the world, regardless of personal risk the invitation had been accepted. She said: "That some of us who go to the wilds of Turkey may never return goes without saying, but no one of our field workers was ever known to hesitate to go anywhere where duty called him or her."

The speaker explained the mode of distributing the relief among the needy, and closed her remarks by saying that she would personally superintend the work.

Estimate.

ROME, Dec. 15.—The report that Gen. Barzani, the commander of the Italian forces in Abyssinia, was to be recalled, is untrue.

CLARENCE B. COVAY, aged 11, died of typhoid pneumonia at Urbana.

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Dining Tables,
China Closets,
Dining Chairs,

HOLIDAY FURNITURE SPECIALTIES!

Suggestions For Christmas Gifts.

WHAT to give our many friends and loved ones for Christmas is truly a difficult question to solve. The great holiday season should be one of joy, peace and happiness, and not of perplexity, as it is so often. How many people there are who have no taste or judgement when it comes to selecting gifts for their friends. An exorbitant price is paid for some useless, inappropriate trifle that is not worth keeping with the other furnishings, when a useful gift in the way of a Chair, Fancy Stand, Pretty Cabinet, might be purchased for less money and would be far more acceptable.

It is usually thought more difficult to select gifts for men than women. Instead of numerous scarfs, slippers, match safes, smoking jackets or poor cigars, why not purchase that which you know he would enjoy. It is far more sensible to give him an office chair than a scarf pin. An Easy chair, a Cheffonier or a Book case makes an invaluable present. A Leather Covered Easy Chair, or Rocker will make a very appropriate present, and will be a never ending source of delight to the occupant. An office desk, combination book case, or a chest of drawers will make a most judicious present.

For a lady, one of the daintiest gifts imaginable is a fancy writing desk. Sofas, fancy chairs, odd pieces for the parlor or bed-room—any of these may be found here, and no Christmas gift would be more attractive or valuable. An extremely useful gift, and one that would win the heart of any lady, would be one of our Dressing tables. We have a fine line of them, and they are all beauties.

FOR the good house-wife, a nice Sideboard, set of Dining Room Chairs, or a China Closet in which to display her nice china, silver or glassware. One of the seasonable novelties is a couch, upholstered in corduroy. We have these couches made up especially to our order, in all the latest colors and designs, and at the very lowest possible price.

A Brass or Enameled Iron Bed for the grown folks or the children, a pretty Little Rocking Chair for the baby, a Folding Bed for those who dwell in cramped places, and those who do not, a Parlor Cabinet, Music Cabinet, for your wife, sister or daughter, an Easy Rocker for dear old grandpa or grandma; a Reading Chair or Study Table for the student, any of these and legions more will be found in our stock, least of them will make a Xmas Present surpassed in beauty, value or utility by nothing else you might purchase.

An inspection of our large and varied stock of Christmas novelties will be appreciated.

We have decided to continue our Holiday Rocker Sale.—Come in as hundreds of others have done and secure a bargain Xmas rocker.

Dressing Tables,
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MONDAY, DEC. 16, 1885.

War Chicago didn't get the conven-
tion is the all-absorbing question in Chi-
cago.

THE fact that there are 6,000 more
men than women in Utah ought of itself
to settle the question of polygamy in
that state.

WHEN Ambassador Bayard made his
funny speech in Edinburgh, Scotland,
he was not expecting the elections at
home to go American.

SINCE Senator Cameron has announced
that he will retire after his present term
there has been talk of his heading the
Pennsylvania delegation to the coming
national convention.

THERE has not been a time for 20
years when there was as little danger
from the finance committee of the sen-
ate with a majority of free silver men in
the committee. Free silver has no show
in this congress.

ONE man who returned from Wash-
ington is quoted in one of the Chicago
papers as saying that the cards were
packed against Chicago and that city
could not have secured the convention
had it put up \$500,000. It is evident
Sam Allerton was not of that opinion
when he refused to sign the obligation.

WHAT a party needs to win an elec-
tion or vote its greatest possible strength
is organization. Bosses manipulate
apparatus and caucuses and dictate nom-
inations but they never win elections.
They simply cause factional differences
and endanger success at the polls. And
yet, there are people who are at this par-
ticular time confounding coarseness and
machine politics with party organiza-
tion. Those who do so are simply try-
ing to hide the leprosy of bossism with
the garb of party organization. They
are lost.

District Representation.

A good deal is being said in some
quarters about the unit rule and district
representation in the national conven-
tion. What is being said now is in the
nature of explanation on the part of
those who assumed to be able to hurrah
the Republicans of Illinois into sending
a delegation to the national convention
to be used by designing persons as a unit
to secure the nomination of some partic-
ular candidate for president, with the
view of having power with the adminis-
tration, if elected, in the distribution
of patronage, which reduced to its
simplest form, means to trade the dele-
gation for the spoils of office which a few
men would control.

The notorious proposition

well received by the people of the state,
hence the explanation. The first
place the plan was, and still is, if the
rank and file of the party will submit
to it, to throw the delegation for some
one the people of the state are not for
as first choice. It is now explained that
of course there was no intention to in-
terfere with the rule of selecting dele-
gates by districts, because that would
be impossible. But those who are ex-
plaining seem to forget that no one ever
suspected there would be any attempt
to do this, as such an effort would mis-
carry. The scheme was, and still is to
advocate sending in good men from
every district as delegates uninstructed
to use their best judgment in the con-
vention, but these manipulators forgot
to say that when once the people can be
quieted down sufficiently to submit to
such a plan the manipulators would
throw out their lines in every district
and quietly work in men as delegates
that would do their bidding and in this
way construct a solid delegation for
trading purposes. So these explanations
do not explain and they leave the situa-
tion just as it was when the original
scheme was first explained.

Another significant feature of the ex-
planations lies in the fact that they all
uniformly end with the statement that
the rank and file of the party are in
favor of making the Illinois delegation
felt in the next convention. This is un-
true. The rank and file of the party in
the state is in favor of sending delegates
from their district who will vote for the
nomination of the man the majority of
the Republican voters in the district are
in favor of. This is the true spirit of
the district representation plan, and any
departure from it would be to favor a
return to the unit rule. If the district
plan of choosing delegates is adhered to
in all the states, which it is fair to
assume will be the case, Illinois could
gain nothing by working up a solid
delegation by indirect means. If other
states follow the district plan and Illi-
nois does the same the state can lose
nothing by it. The only time the state
got in trouble with the administration,
was when it followed the machine
method and went solid for Gresham. It
might and probably would make the
same mistake in the coming convention
were it to submit to the plans the pre-
sent machine has mapped out for secur-
ing a solid delegation.

The schemers know that the rank
and file of the party in Illinois are
pretty well solidified on a first choice for
president, but that choice is not the
choice of the manipulators, and herein
lies the whole trouble. If the rank and
file of the party was in harmony with
the promises made as to whom the Illi-
nois delegation would support, not a
word would be said about a solid dele-
gation to make the state felt in the next
convention.

THURMAN.
Thurman, the Roman, has passed along;
But he trod the bridge of a hundred years
Whip a step so sure and a step so strong,
The nation woke with him.
And Thurman trembled when sword-like gleamed
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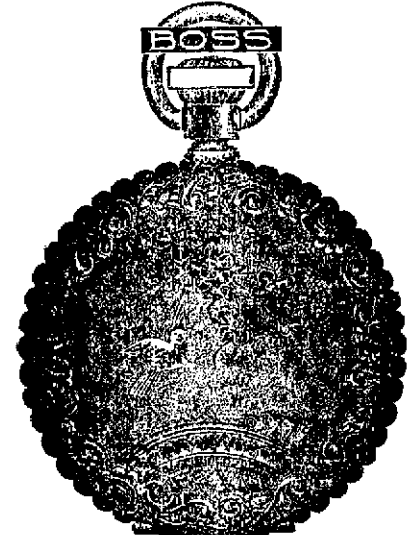
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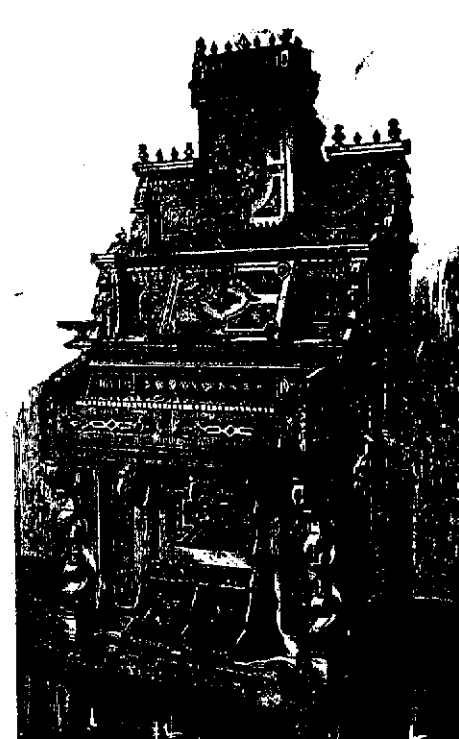
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ceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear
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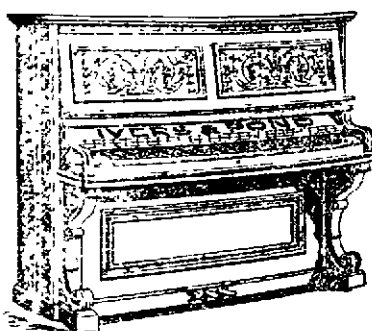
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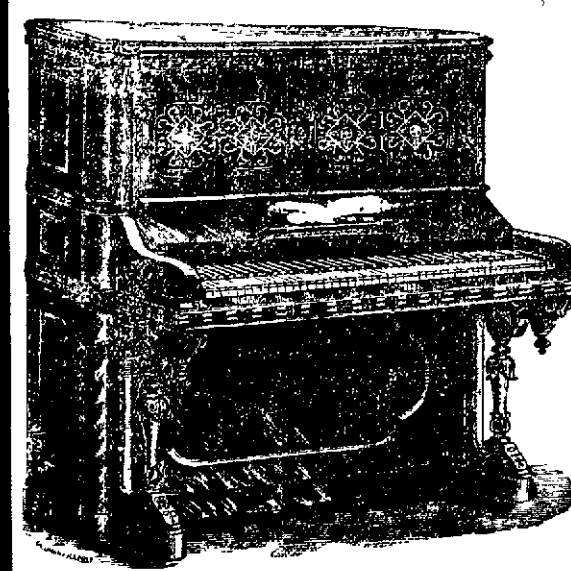
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FRANK REINSTORF has purchased the Henry Smith property at 518 Prairie avenue and will occupy it. Some days ago C. E. Schroll sold the residence to Edward Strohm, and now Ed. has sold the place to Mr. Reinstorf.

Farm at Auction. A splendid farm of about 130 acres, six and one-half miles southwest of Decatur and one and one-half miles north-east of Boody, known as the Miers, formerly the McAfee farm. The land is in the highest state of cultivation, has a good house and best class of improvements. The land will be sold at the court house door on Wednesday, Dec. 18, 1895, at 2 p. m., under decree of court to the highest bidder, for division among heirs.

TERMS.—One-third cash, one-third in one and one-half in two years; or, one-half cash, and one-half in two years, or all cash, as the buyer may prefer. Deferred payments to be secured by mortgage on the property sold. JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery. dec3-d&wt

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AT THE CHURCHES.

Sermon by Rev. E. B. Randle, of Springfield—Rev. E. G. Hobbs to the Sons of Veterans.

FIRST M. E. CHURCH. Rev. E. B. Randle, pastor of the First M. E. church, Springfield, preached morning and evening to large congregations at the First M. E. church. His sermons were both strong and able and were highly appreciated by the congregation. In the morning his text was Malachi 3:17: "And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of Hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels." He said: "These words were addressed to the Hebrews by the prophet in the days when the Israelites were in a state of spiritual declension due to avariciousness. Under this law defective animals were not acceptable to God as offerings, but in the day of Malachi the offering of defective birds and animals had become common. But there were those among these people who remained true to the covenant. God always has had those in his church in times of spiritual declension who remained true to him, and these are to be his in that day when He makes up his jewels. God calls his people jewels because they have cost so much. Jewels are so rare and valuable that only the rich can purchase them. The great gem known as the Koh-i-noor is valued at \$400,000 while there are others that were even more valuable. Many do not realize how valuable God's jewels are, they do not realize the value of a human soul. Men and women have sold these jewels which God values so highly as if they were only clay. Christians are called jewels because they are divinely made. Jewels are made by God, and are about the laws of nature. They believe the universe a more complicated machine than runs itself. This in a sense is true after the creation. Jewels are made by the operations of natural law. Christians are made by the operations of spiritual law. Man cannot make himself a Christian. Christians are called jewels because they have no ray of light in themselves and only reflect that spiritual light given by God. There are those who say they have no need of religion; that they do no wrong and do that which is right. But these very men are all they are to the religion of Jesus Christ and Christian influence in the world. The apple when separated from the tree must as well say it owed nothing to the tree. Man is nothing without God's help. Christians are called jewels because they are formed of crude and cheap material. The diamond is made of sand and gravel contained in a black lump of coal. God makes his jewels of sinners. A lady dropped her jeweled ring in a muddy pool. She gave a man \$5 to make a diligent search for it, but did not find it. She called upon the muddy water and said: 'Thy hands in the filthy water and at last found it. God saw man in a deplorable state and he came and took on the human form and suffered death to save man and now it doesn't matter how bad a man is, God will make him into a man respectable and resplendent with spirituality. Ananias had no faith in Saul's honesty of purpose and argued the case with God when commanded to meet Saul. Ananias saw no value in Saul but God did. At a camp-meeting no one offered himself for salvation until the meeting was about to close when a barefooted ragged boy came to the altar. Few thought him worthy of salvation, but God and man agreed to make an instrument in God's hands and brought thousands to Christ. He became one of the greatest preachers the world ever knew. In that case God made a jewel out of what men regarded as very inferior material. Diamonds are taken in the rough and polished. The church is God's workshop, and the brightest diamonds he makes there are those upon which the tools are oftenest applied. Whom he loveth he chasteneth and he will scourge the son of his love. He will make the world so everybody would have an easy time of it. You would have it so you would not have to work and worry. In some tropical countries fruit grows spontaneously, the people need no clothes. It requires no effort to live, and yet these same people have not enough energy to organize a government and no great man is ever produced among such people. For great men and great enterprises and great accomplishments require you to go to the north where it requires energy to surmount great obstacles, where man must labor and toil and study to succeed. When Methodism was unpopular and subject to persecution everywhere, Methodists were all about its rules, and the religion it taught. Now since it has become popular and the other churches not one Methodist in ten knows anything about the laws and rules of the church. Jewels are made bright through adversity and attrition. May every one of you be found fit to be numbered among God's jewels when he comes to make them up.

There will be a special official meeting at the church this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

This evening Rev. E. G. Hobbs will deliver the second address of his series on Methodism to the Christian Endeavor society at the First M. E. church. His subject will be "The Doctrine of the church."

Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock the regular meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society will be held at the parsonage. Tea will be served at 6 p. m. followed by a musical and literary program.

The regular meeting of the Ladies Aid society will be held next Friday at 2:30 p. m. New officers for the coming year will be elected at this meeting. It is earnestly desired that all ladies of the church will be present.

GRACE M. E. CHURCH. In the evening the Rev. E. G. Hobbs, the pastor, preached a special sermon to the Sons of Veterans, who were present by invitation accompanied by the members of Dunham Post G. A. R. In addition to this a large congregation was present. The church was appropriately decorated with the National colors. Mr. Hobbs took for his text, 1 Pet. 2:22, "Leaving us an Example that We Should Follow." He said:

I understand the organization of the Sons of Veterans and I keep alive the memory of the deeds done for the country by the fathers. This is a proud object—to keep alive the memories of the fathers. I am glad I am numbered among them. I am glad my father was a soldier. The feelings of the war are fast passing away. The unity of the conflict has been obliterated. It is a great thing to honor the men that fought to preserve the union. These men are fast passing away. The great admirals are all sailing their ships into the harbor of eternity. I want to call your attention to one man

who above all others was pre-eminent in the great conflict for the Union. When we speak of those who were greatest in war we speak of Grant, Sherman and Sheridan, but the one who called for 75,000 men to put down the rebellion. He saw further ahead than any of them. Though he was regarded as crazy for these things, he knew the tactics of the south. He knew their prowess, and he knew the conflict would be long and cruel. By and by he was relieved of his command and apparently the people drew a breath of relief. But after awhile he was recalled when it was found that he foresaw what no other conjectured. It seems to me he was the most skilled of them all. He was in more dangerous and intricate positions than anyone. He relieved Burnside at Knoxville, by strategy took Atlanta and marched to the sea. Sherman was a great soldier. Sherman was a great man, which explains it all. He was always close to his men. I required no reward for a soldier to get into his tent. He was a truly great character and it required no pretense to make him measure up. He was not only great but he was tender-hearted. Amid the pines on a battlefield was a humble cabin. He made think of my home and my country. The finest lesson a man can learn under the Stars is self-government. A man is weak who cannot govern himself. This country has taught the lesson that a people are capable of self-government. When the war broke out Europe thought our ship of state was weak and would go down. They did not consider the patriotism of the sons born of loyal American mothers. They saved the Union and made it stronger than ever, and taught the old world that self-government is not a failure. Patriotism is a virtue that needs opportunity to display it. When the war came there was opportunity and the patriotic young men of that day saved the country from the storm of missiles and hatred. Many went down to death, others were maimed for life. The opportunity for the exercise of patriotism was accepted and patriotism was enthroned everywhere. We ought to stand on the battlefield of to-day as bravely as the fathers stood at Gettysburg. In the conflict of to-day the question is, can there be found young men as unselfish as their fathers were when they gave up all, even life itself. The thing for you and me to do to-day is to put country above party, above everything. In the days of the war patriots put party aside and went to the common plain of loyalty to defend the country. We should, in the civil conflict of the present, lay aside party whenever it is necessary to do so in order to fill the requirements of patriotism.

This evening there will be a meeting of the official board of the church, and also a meeting of the Christian Endeavor society.

Tuesday afternoon the Ladies' Aid Society will hold a meeting.

On Thursday evening the entertainment known as the Kalendar Kermis, under the auspices of Grace M. E. church will begin at the tabernacle and will continue two days.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Large congregations were present morning and evening at the First Presbyterian church. Rev. W. H. Penhallow preached in the morning taking for his text John 4:32: "I have meat to eat ye know not of it." His theme was: "The Hidden Resources of Life." He showed that every great purpose had behind it a hidden power; that while it could not be discovered there was always a hidden resource which enabled men to attain great objects; that this was true in a much greater degree in the realm of the spiritual; that God always had in his storehouse meat for his followers to eat the world knows nothing about.

In the evening W. C. Pierce, of Chicago, who has been holding the Bible institute, occupied the pulpit in the evening. He spoke of "Opportunity."

Next Sunday evening a Christmas praise service will be held at the Presbyterian church.

All at Work. The work of tearing down the burnt district in the Powers block was resumed this morning, and teams were on the ground hauling away the lumber and trash. In the basement the brick cleaners were picking away, and the wheel barrows were moving.

Work on the Lincoln Square transfer house is going ahead steadily. Rapid progress will be made this week, as the stone and brick work is about finished.

On the roof of the opera house painters are spreading the crimson fire-proof coating on the tin.

County Teachers' Meeting. Program for Teachers' meeting at office of county superintendent, Dec. 28, at 1 p. m.: Song: Reading by Illustration... R. F. Davidson. Practical Arithmetic for Eighth Grade for January... J. D. Logan. Psychology Association... applied to Teaching... W. E. Hedges. Objects of Recitation... Geo. S. Morris. General discussion of questions that may be asked relating to methods of teaching in any or all of the branches, also in school law.

Political. MARION, Ill., Dec. 14.—Gen. Horace H. Clark, of Mattoon, addressed an enthusiastic meeting of Republicans at the court house to-day. Resolutions were passed by the audience endorsing the candidacy of Gen. Clark for the office of governor. The preference here seems to be for Clark for governor and McKinley for president.

Removal. Miss E. Williams has moved from South Park street to the elegant store room at 228 North Main street, where she has displayed all the latest and seasonable styles in millinery. Friends are cordially invited to call. dtf-w1

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Charles C. Stoddard Buried at Ramsey—Large Attendance from Decatur.

The funeral of the late Charles C. Stoddard, past chancellor of Cœur de Leon Lodge, No. 17, K. P., of Decatur, past captain of Decatur Division, No. 35, Uniform Rank, and former Major of the Rank, also a member of Decatur Camp, No. 144, Modern Woodmen, took place on Sunday afternoon at Ramsey, leaving at 12 o'clock. The two coaches were crowded by members of the Decatur Division in full uniform, Cœur de Leon lodge members with visitors from Chevalier Bayard Lodge, thistle, Starlight Lodge, Forsyth; Royal Lodge, Maros; Beacon Lodge, Macon, and a delegation from Decatur Camp Modern Woodmen. Goodman's Band went with the party, as did also a number of people who were not members of any of the societies. There were 129 on the train, not including the band. At Ramsey the Decatur delegation was joined by the Ramsey Camp of Modern Woodmen, and by Ben Hur Lodge Knights of Pythias from Vandalia, who, with Hon. J. J. Brown, the Grand Chancellor, drove to Ramsey in vehicles.

The organizations formed and proceeded to the home of Dr. Stoddard, escorting the body thence to the Methodist church, where the services were held. The cortege was formed as follows:

Goodman's Band. Decatur Division No. 35, K. P. Ben Hur Lodge, K. P. Cœur de Leon Lodge, K. P. Visiting Pythians. Ramsey Modern Woodmen. Decatur Camp, 144, Modern Woodmen.

At the church the services were directed by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Bradley, and Rev. J. W. Hunter delivered the sermon. The church choir furnished the music. There was a great profusion of floral offerings, some of massive design. Everybody was permitted to take a last look at the remains. The church was packed to the doors and many stood outside during the service. It was a march of three-quarters of a mile to the cemetery, where the remains of the deceased were laid to rest with Pythian and Uniform Rank ceremonies. The prelate, W. T. Dillehunt, spoke the service and Rev. Mr. Bradley pronounced the benediction. The pallbearers were three past chancellors of Cœur de Leon Lodge and three members of Camp 144. Grand Chancellor Brown marched with Cœur de Leon Lodge to the cemetery.

The special train reached Decatur soon after seven o'clock in the evening.

Address by Miss Blackburn. Miss Kate Blackburn, a deaconess of the Methodist Episcopal church, addressed a large audience at Grace Methodist Episcopal church Sunday morning. Miss Blackburn was formerly associated with the Deaconess Home in Detroit, but has recently been transferred to the Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage at Urbana, Ill. Miss Blackburn stated that the deaconesses of the Methodist church were like the sisters of charity in the Roman Catholic church in that they were unswerving—receiving only \$8 per month for clothing besides board. Miss Blackburn is now looking after the interests of Grace church in this city, visiting families who may need assistance because of sickness or some other cause. She also discovers children who do not attend any Sunday school and opens the way for them to go. It is also the mission of the deaconesses to find people who hold church letters and have neglected to hand them in, and if another church than the Methodist is signified they are helped to find the denomination of their choice.

Miss Blackburn has been eminently successful in her chosen work. She will visit the various cities within the grounds of the conference, and work in connection with the pastors and officers of the churches.

At Rest. Saturday afternoon the funeral of the late Mrs. Mary Reavis, wife of James Reavis, took place from the Church of God. There was a large attendance and many beautiful flowers. The services were conducted by Rev. J. Bernard. He read the following facts about the life of the deceased: "Hermalden name was Mary Lichtenberger, and she was born May 9, 1801, being 84 years old. She was married to James Reavis April 8, 1866. Besides her husband she leaves one son, 5 years old, a father, three brothers and two sisters." The burial was at Greenwood cemetery. The pallbearers were O. W. Smith, J. B. Fritz, J. H. Kingsley, F. F. Williams, Frank Keith and W. Williams.

Merchant Street. Contractors Dempsey & Giblin resumed work on Merchant street this morning and are pushing the work very rapidly, and unless it rains or snows the paving of that street will be completed within the next few days.

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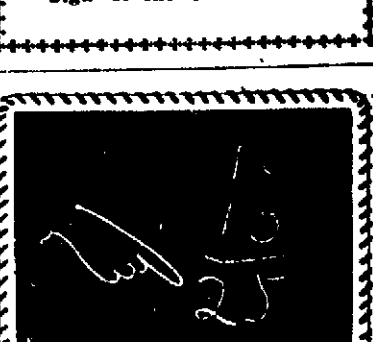
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Quaker Malt Extract, three loaves, 10c;
six loaves, 20c; eight loaves, 25c.
Home made or square, three loaves,
10c; six loaves, 20c; eight loaves, 25c.
Snow Flake, three loaves, 10c; six
loaves, 20c; eight loaves, 25c.
Vienna, three loaves, 10c; six loaves,
20c; eight loaves, 25c.
Irish, three loaves, 10c; six loaves, 20c;
eight loaves, 25c.
Graham and Rye, three loaves, 10c;
six loaves, 20c; eight loaves, 25c.
THE DECATUR CRACKER CO. 14-46

Kalendar Kermis. Kalendar Kermis.
Farm at Auction.
A splendid farm of about 130 acres,
six and one-half miles southwest of De-
cat, and one and one-half miles north-
east of Boody, known as the Miers, for-
merly the McAffee farm. The land is in
the highest state of cultivation, has a
good house and best class of improve-
ments. The land will be sold at the
court house door on Wednesday, Dec.
18, 1896, at 2 p. m., under decree of court
to the highest bidder, for division
among heirs.

TERMS:—One-third cash, one-third in
one, and one-third in two years; or, one-
half cash, and one-half in two years, or
all cash, as the buyer may prefer. De-
ferred payments to be secured by mort-
gage on the property sold.

J. J. Jones & Son, Auctioneers.
dec3-d4wtd Master in Chancery.

**Go to the Spencer & Lehman company
for wood pumps, iron pumps, force pumps
and pump repairs.** feb6-d4wtd

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. S. E. Thomas is on the sick list.
F. M. Watkins is in Chicago on busi-
ness.

J. S. Galvin went to Maroa to-day on
business.

John A. Reeve has returned from
Washington City.

George Miller left at 7 o'clock this
morning for Paris.

Miss Leona Williams is confined to her
home by sickness.

N. B. Mayer went to Peoria yesterday
on a business visit.

M. W. Stoddard will return from
Rensselaer this evening.

Roy Bendure went to Blue Mound
Saturday to visit relatives.

Mrs. L. H. Martin is at Bowen, Ill.,
visiting her sister, Mrs. L. A. Powell.

Miss Mame Webb has returned from
a three months' visit at Columbus, O.

Mrs. Charles Compton, of Los Angeles,
Cal., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Allen Lytle.

Misses Carrie White and Vona Ritchie
of Warrensburg, are visiting Miss Addie
Ebert.

Willie, little son of James Collins, is
dangerously sick at his home on Mar-
tetta street.

Mrs. Minnie Brown has gone to San
Antonio, Tex., in the hope of benefiting
her health.

W. C. Pierce, of Chicago, who has
been holding the Bible institute, left for
home to-day.

Mrs. H. F. May went to St. Louis yester-
day where she will visit with relatives
for a few days.

J. F. Black, of Champaign, was in the
city Sunday visiting his brother, Attor-
ney W. H. Black.

Mrs. Trogen has returned to her
home in Paris after a visit with Dr. and
Mrs. E. B. Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Sears have
returned from a month's trip through
the southern states.

Mrs. F. E. Danner returned Saturday
to her home in Mt. Pleasant, after a visit
with relatives in Decatur.

Dr. W. T. Patterson and J. A. Coch-
ran, of Long Creek, were among the
visitors in the city to-day.

Charles Harpstrite, who was called
here by the death of his sister, left Sun-
day for his home in Wichita, Kan.

Alfred Flora Freeman, born Sunday,
Dec. 15, 1896, to Mr. and Mrs. John B.
Freeman, at the family residence on
West Macon street, weight 8½ pounds.

Miss Pauline Johnson, who has been
attending the Northwestern University
at Evanston, arrived in the city to-day
to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M.
Johnson, during the holidays.

John Taggart has returned to Decatur
from Tennessee where he has been for
several months buying stock for the St.
Louis markets. He will remain at home
during the holidays and will then return
to the south.

DEATHS FOLLOW FUNERALS.

Reform in Burial Customs is Urged by
an Undertaker.

One of the leading undertakers of this
city, says a Buffalo News man, told me
recently that within the next 15 years
the burial customs of the country will
be entirely changed. He said that
among other reforms the custom of fol-
lowing the remains to the cemetery would
be done away with. He said the
undertakers had been trying in a silent
way for years to bring about certain
funeral reforms and that before long
the matter would be publicly discussed
and the reforms put into practice so
far as was within the power of the un-
dertakers.

He says that statistics show that a
very large number of deaths result each
year from the custom of following the
remains to the cemetery. Invalids and
persons weak and broken by grief are
taken out in all kinds of weather to go
to the grave, and then the exposure in
the bleak cemetery while the services
are being held at the grave frequently
causes the mourners illness. There are
many other matters which my friend
did not care to talk about in connection
with funeral customs that will be changed.

GROSSOME TALISMAN.

The Rabbit's Foot Supplanted by the Little
Finger of a Colored Woman.

Among people of sporting, gambling
and speculative tendencies the rabbit
foot was at one time considered the talis-
man of luck and good fortune. The
football player, the baseball man, the
devotee of the turf, the card player, the
speculator on 'change, the crap shooter
and the patrons of policy and pool-
rooms considered themselves sure win-
ners when in possession of, says the
Philadelphia Inquirer, the peddle of the
long-eared animal. Now the rabbit
foot has been supplanted by those whose
superstition leads them to adopt some
sort of token to invoke luck, and they
have taken to a really grossome article.
It is nothing more nor less than the
little finger of a colored woman. After
death the little finger is amputated
from the right hand at the second joint,
after which it is treated in chemicals to
harden and cure the flesh, and when it
has become sufficiently dried it is carried
in the right-hand vest pocket by men
and women who cultivate the fad and
who carry it in a little silver case made
especially for the purpose.

A Lake Phenomenon.

A curious phenomenon was observed
at Cleveland, O., the other day. The
water of the lake suddenly began to
fall, and before the movement stopped
it had gone down 30 inches, leaving
some of the skiffs and sailboats in the
inner harbor high and dry. Fortunately
no large vessel was at that time mov-
ing in or out of the river. In 20 min-
utes the water came back in one large
wave, which spent itself on the break-
water and the beach. A peculiarly
shaped black cloud hung over the lake
to the northeast at the time.

If suffering with piles, it will interest
you to know that Dr. Witt's Witch Ha-
zels Ointment cures them. This medicine
is a specific for all hemorrhoids of this
character, and if instructions (which are
simple) are carried out, a cure will re-
sult. We have tested this in numerous
cases, and always with like results. It
never fails. Write Druggists.

JOSEPH BARTMAN, an expert Physician,
has had success in the treatment of
piles and hemorrhoids.

Curious Gunpowder Accident.

Roy Davis, son of J. T. Davis, living a
few miles southeast of Homer, was the
victim of a peculiar explosion a few days
ago. Roy had been out hunting in the
forenoon. In the afternoon about 2
o'clock he was cleaning up the rig and
putting things away. He picked up the
powder horn, which contained fully
three-fourths of a pound of a fine rifle
powder, and holding it in his right hand
pushed the cork, which was made of
hard oak wood, in to prevent the escape
of the fine powder. In doing so he gave
the cork a twist and at the instant this
was done the powder exploded, blowing
the horn into atoms. Pieces of the horn
struck him on the left side of the face,
cutting his chin and face along the jaw-
bone in a terrible manner and destroy-
ing portions of the bone. The hand in
which he held the flask was seriously
burned. The only reason given for the
explosion, there being no fire about the
room, was that it was caused by friction.
Grains of powder were perhaps the horn
and cork, and when he twisted the cork
produced the explosion.

Bushels of Mail Hidden.

New York Times. A postoffice scandal
has been revealed at Fall River,
Mass., by the discovery of twelve
bushels of mail matter in the loft of the
armory and central fire station, which
are in close proximity to the postoffice
building. The discovery was made by
City Engineer Gerry, who reported the
matter to Postmaster Sullivan. On in-
vestigation it was found that books and
crannies of the place were stuffed with
mail matter sent from Baltimore, De-
troit, Philadelphia, Glasgow, Montreal,
Manchester and Paris. At first it was
thought that some lazy letter carrier
had thrown away the patent medicine
circulars that burden the mails at all
times, but on a closer investigation it
was seen that sealed letters and some
of the best-known publications of the
country were strewn about with the
most reckless carelessness. Lawson was
arrested last night and confessed. He
said he did not have time to deliver
the mail in the eight hours allotted by
the government officials.

The Chicago Cycle Show.

A large number of local wheelmen
will go to Chicago next month to attend
the annual cycle show. It will be held
at Tattersall's from January 4 to 11 and
will be under the management and con-
trol of the National Cycle Exhibition
company, and the magnitude of the en-
terprise will be understood when it is
stated that the amount expended for
decoration and placing in position the
various exhibits will reach \$10,000, and
the value of the bicycles, machinery,
sundries, etc., will be over \$1,000,000.
The floor space is in excess of that of
the famous Madison Square Garden and it
is expected that the show as a whole
will far eclipse the one held there last
winter. The management has secured
Brooke's Second Regiment band and sev-
eral soloists will be brought from the
east. Each afternoon and evening a
fine program will be rendered. The
doors will open each morning at an
early hour for the manufacturers and
agents, and at 1 o'clock each afternoon
the public will be admitted, except on
the first day, when the opening hour
will be at 3 p. m.

Removal.

Miss E. Williams has moved from
South Park street to the elegant store
room at 228 North Main street, where
she has displayed all the latest and sea-
sonable styles in millinery. Friends are
cordially invited to call. d4w1

If you want to keep warm this winter
have Leon & Morris put in one of their
celebrated Akron Air Blast Furnaces.
They can do you a good job. oct23-dtf

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 16, 1896.
The REPUBLICAN is indebted to B. Z. Taylor,
editor in grain, provisions and stocks, with cor-
respondents in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis
and St. Louis, for the following market quot-
ations:

Wheat—	Open- ing.	High- est.	Low- est.	Clos- ing.
December	56	56 1/2	56 1/4	56 1/2
May	58 1/2	59	58 1/4	58 3/4
July	59 1/2	60	59 1/4	59 3/4
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INDIAN TERRITORY

Must Be Opened Up for Homes for White Settlers.

HUNDRED-MILE PASTURES MUST GO

And Give Place to Schools, Churches and Laws—Why the Indians are Opposed to Partition of the Territory.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Detective Flynn, of Oklahoma, when asked if he knew of any movement among the Indians to prevent the opening of the Indian territory, replied that he understood that all five of the civilized tribes would have representatives here this winter to oppose such a measure. Conditions in the territory, Mr. Flynn said, must be changed. There were now 300,000 whites, and about fifty thousand Indians in the territory, and they are without schools, churches, or laws. Three-fourths of the territory is controlled by about one hundred men who claim to be Indians. These men have large tracts of land, and it is not uncommon to find one of these so-called Indians with 200 white tenants. This is the class which objects to opening the territory and insists that treaty obligations shall be observed.

During a case, Mr. Flynn said, the Seminoles, having a population of about eighteen thousand, received from the United States about seventy-five thousand dollars annually. This money is paid to Jackson Brown, treasurer of the nation. Brown does not pay the money received to the Indians, but discharges a currency of his own, regarded as superior to the currency of the United States. This consists of orders for goods on Brown's store. As he runs the only stores in the nation and will not allow others to be established, you see how the thing works. In this way the territory is monopolized by a few who are fast becoming millionaires. They run things and you can easily see why they want no change.

Referring to another case, he said that in the Choctaw nation, in order to get rid of the whites, a few of those influential men had the council pass an ordinance making it treason, punishable by death, to employ a white man; also, treason to advocate the allotment of lands.

If the Choctaw nation were divided, they would get about eight hundred acres per capita. Recently I met a New York man who had married a Choctaw girl, and now has five children. He was opposed to the allotment of land. When I asked him why, he replied that if lands were allotted he would receive but 50,000 acres, while at present he controlled about fifty miles of valuable coal land. He wanted protection on this. This is the way it goes.

The Indian territory, Mr. Flynn said, was as thickly settled as any of the far western states. Good farms abounded, and there are many towns of from 5,000 to 6,000 inhabitants. Railroads in the territory charge five cents per mile, while the same roads outside charge but three cents per mile.

Last year the Dawes commission made an effort to treat with the Indians for the allotment of lands, but were unsuccessful. The committee did not reach the Indians. It was met by the "favored few" and ignored. This class controls the courts and councils, practically owns everything and, of course, wants to be let alone. The 200,000 whites want a change which will give them laws and protection, and they must have it.

Mr. Flynn has introduced and will endeavor to have passed a bill which he thinks will do justice to all. It makes allotment compulsory and gives to each lawful inhabitant of the territory 160 acres of land; requires the government to purchase the surplus lands and make all Indian citizens of the United States and amenable to the federal laws and not to the laws of the tribes. This, Mr. Flynn thinks, will do justice to the poor "black and white" who cannot speak English and who live in the hills and have no voice in the affairs of the territory.

CRASHED INTO A TROLLEY.

Fatal Collision Between Steam and Electric Cars.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 15.—The Texas express on the Union Pacific, Denver & Gulf railroad, crashed into a trolley car on the University Park electric line at 10:40 o'clock yesterday morning, wrecking both car and train, instantly killing the motorman, Charles W. Wilbur, and seriously injuring John C. Sheering, the trolley conductor.

Two young ladies, Miss Olive McDowell and Miss Jane Brown, going to the university in the trolley car, were slightly injured.

Engineer M. E. Shannon, Fireman Gus Moline, Conductor Fred Schmidt and brakeman J. M. Essington were injured in the wreck, the latter seriously.

The incoming express whistled for the crossing, and the engineer supposed the trolley would stop as usual, but approaching near, he no longer heard the trolley whistle. The locomotive struck the car, whirled it entirely around, catching the motorman in the wreck and throwing the conductor into the air.

The shock of the collision derailed the locomotive and baggage car.

THE WEEK IN CONGRESS.

The Financial Question Likely to be Spring in the Senate—Announcement of Committees Expected in the House.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The third week of the senate will open with that body no better equipped for the transaction of business than on the day Congress first assembled, although it is more than probable that before the week is over the caucus committees will have agreed and the senate committees will have passed into the hands of the republicans. If the suggestions of some of the younger senators are followed, it is not impossible that this week may find the senate testing the strength of the two parties over the subject of the reorganization of the executive offices.

Today Mr. Stewart will make his first silver speech of this session. Thursday he introduced a resolution to direct the finance committee to inquire into the effect of the exchange of gold and silver between the standard countries has upon the agricultural and manufacturing industries of the United States and report by bill or otherwise. This resolution will be the text of Mr. Stewart's first speech. Senator Hill takes issue with Senator Cullum on his conclusions relative to the Monroe doctrine and may address the senate on the resolution now on the table early in the week, possibly today. Senator White, of California, who last week offered an amendment that all debate shall be relevant and confined to the subject directly before the senate, will speak to the resolution tomorrow. It is one of the many propositions now pending to change the rules of the senate with a view to limiting debate.

The receipt of Secretary Carlisle's report to-day will be the signal for the floodgates of financial debate to open. Several senators, among them Mr. Sherman, are preparing to discuss the monetary portion of the president's message. They have kept silence regarding the report of the secretary of the treasury, which is supplemental to the recommendations of the president. Mr. Sherman will hardly be prepared to speak this week, but it would not be surprising if a discussion were precipitated at any time.

During the week, it is expected in the house this week is the announcement of the committees by Speaker Reed, and when that is made adjournment for the holidays is anticipated. It may be that the committee on rules and elections will be announced to-day.

The house, at present, is operating under the rules of the fifty-first congress, and if the proposition to amend the constitution is passed, which has been under consideration, it is to be carried out, a change in the rules to that effect must first be made. One change in the rules that is looked for, in view of Speaker Reed's expressions of opinion thereon, is the reduction of the number constituting a quorum of the committee of the whole house with a majority of the full membership of the house. What figure will be fixed upon cannot be stated, but it is believed that it will not exceed 100, and may be considerably less. Speaker Reed is satisfied that such a change will materially aid in the dispatch of business and be a means of inducing a more general attendance upon the sessions of the house.

THE WAR IN CUBA.

Several Engagements Fought—Complaints Against an English Consul.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Dec. 4, via Key West, Fla., Dec. 6.—On November 28 the Spanish column, led by General Goy, with his guerrilla band, had an engagement with the rebel column, Sancho Sanchez, and his regiment at Moncada in Santa Maria de Aguero. The Spaniards had three killed and two wounded, and the insurgents one killed and six wounded. The guerrilla afterward took three offensive peasants to Sonoma as prisoners of war, who were summarily court-martialed and shot. This is one of the many crimes frequently committed here by the Spanish guerrillas.

On the 30th of November the Spanish lieutenant-colonel Cogan, and his column had an encounter with the rebel commander, Abad Reyes, and his force of 100 men near the bridge at Majagua, 15 miles from Palma Soriano. The insurgents killed one officer and four soldiers and wounded 12 soldiers. It is said here to-day in military circles that the rebel Gen. Rabi, with the bulk of the army, has had a bloody engagement with a strong Spanish column in Los Negros, near Baire. The Spanish troops were coming from Bayamo.

It is also said that Rabi has caused the Spaniards great loss through using dynamite bombs. No further details have been received.

The English subjects of this city and district complain bitterly that their consul, Mr. Ramsden, does not seem to take any interest in their affairs. A Mr. Gaury, chief of the Guanajuato railroad foundry, is and has been locked up in the Moro castle for more than a month, and the consul, it is alleged, has done nothing in his behalf, notwithstanding that he knows that the authorities have not even taken the preliminary steps in his case, as they ought to have done long ago.

Blood on the Face of the Moon.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 15.—There are no new developments in the difficulty between Maj. Hearsey and Congressman Boatner. It is understood that all efforts of mutual friends to effect an amicable settlement have proved futile and that a hostile meeting with pistols at 12 paces, will probably take place somewhere to-morrow. Particulars, however, are not obtainable.

More Indictments Against A. K. Ward—Refused to Testify.

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TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

—Cardinal Paul Melchers, of Rome, is dead.

—The duchess of York (May of Teck) has been delivered of another son.

—About four million dollars of gold will be shipped to Europe to-morrow.

—Gen. Baratieri, commanding the Italian forces in Abyssinia, is to be recalled.

—Archibald Forbes, the well-known war correspondent, is seriously ill in London.

—A powder magazine at Arlon, Belgium, exploded, killing seven men.

—Alderman Welsh, of Detroit, Mich., is under indictment for soliciting a bribe.

—King Humbert has signed a decree calling into active service the soldiers of the 1872 class.

—The losses in the Council Bluffs (La.) fire are now said to have reached \$400,000; insurance, one-half.

—It is reported that the Powers have addressed to Japan a peremptory demand for the extradition of (Tosio).

—St. Joseph's founding home at Troy, N. Y., was burned Saturday. Loss, \$25,000. The 75 babies were saved.

—Estrada Kelly, discoverer and inventor of lubricating oil for clocks and watches, died in Bedford, Mass., aged 97.

—In West Brownsville, Pa., Charles Eckles, six years old, "coasted" under a passing freight train and was cut to pieces.

—On Saturday the associated banks of New York City held \$13,391,325 in excess of the requirements of the 25-percent rule.

—Thomas Hughes (white), of Logansport, Ind., goes to state's prison for two years for a criminal assault on a colored girl.

—Edward McPherson, many years clerk of the house of representatives at Washington, died in Gettysburg, Pa., Saturday.

—Sir Francis Scott, commanding, expects to end the British campaign against the Ashantees and return to the coast in sixty days.

—Angus D. Gilbert, convicted of the murder of little Alice M. Stirling in Boston, has been sentenced to be hanged on February 21 next.

—Great excitement has been created in Buenos Ayres by the discovery of rich gold deposits near Mendoza. An American firm has interested itself.

—A dispatch from Madrid says that Gen. Martinez Campos has resigned his command of the Spanish army in Cuba, and will be succeeded by Gen. Weyler.

—In addition to those recently started up, it is expected that all the blast furnaces in the Lake Superior iron district will be in full operation by spring.

—At Saturday's sale of American apples in Liverpool 15,432 barrels were disposed of, and in London 12,000 barrels were sold, at prices a shilling better than those of December 9.

—Col. E. L. Lammson, ex-lieutenant-governor of Ohio, ex-speaker of the Ohio house of representatives and ex-state senator, has been appointed reading clerk of the house of representatives.

—The terms of settlement proposed by the conference of employers and employees, presided over by Lord James, have been rejected by Belfast and the locked-out engineers of the Clyde.

—At 2:30 a. m. Saturday a couple of men armed with revolvers forced an entrance into the Cincinnati Southern ticket office, at Ravenna, Ky., and compelled the night operator to give them the contents of the cash drawer, \$12.

—The second volume of the official records of the Union and confederate navies in the civil war has just come from the press, and will be ready for issue in a few days. The publication is for distribution through congress.

—Henry L. Swords, sergeant-at-arms of the Republican national committee, has gone to St. Louis to engage headquarters for the national committee as well as for some of the various delegations expected to be in attendance.

—The weekly statement of the New York city associated banks, for the week ended Saturday, showed the following changes: Reserve, decrease, \$1,902,350; loans, increase, \$3,170,900; specie, increase, \$123,900; legal tenders, decrease, \$1,084,600; deposits, increase, \$1,369,000; circulation, decrease, \$12,900.

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SLAKES AND PARTRIDGES.

Prince George Will Not Be Outside in the Snow.

"I saw a place some time ago about a man from London county," said the man from Prince George, who was sitting in the end of his wagon in the rear of Center market.

"Yes, I think he called at the office," said the reporter.

"Well, you know, he was telling about a nineteen-foot snake that of a basket of eggs and a couple of turkeys."

"I believe he mentioned something of that sort to the snake editor."

"When that paper came out to Acocook with that story in it a good many of the neighbors said it was a blamed falsehood, but I told 'em it was correct, 'cause I've known snakes to do things like that myself."

It was quite evident that the Prince George man had a story to relate, and after a short pause, during which he swung his cowhide boots to and fro, reflectively, he continued:

"I was out in the meadow one day and I used a lot of partridges running around and I stopped a minute to watch them. After a little while a snake crawled out 'n' the bushes."

"How big was it? Oh, he was a middle-sized fellow, about so long?"

"The narrator almost dislocated a shoulder-blade in giving the measurement."

"He laid down in the sun near the flock and opened his mouth good and wide and kept real still. After he'd been there some time another snake came out 'n' the bushes, jumpin' up and down and runnin' right at the flock of partridges."

"How big was he? Oh, about so long," and the Prince George man stretched his arms until he was red in the face.

"I thought he must be a fool snake to try to catch a partridge that way, but that wasn't his idea. Now you know when a partridge is skinned it wants to hide and will lay under roots or inside hollow logs until it gets over being skinned."

The reporter was not certain that such were the bird's habits, but said nothing.

"Well, when they saw the other snake layin' there with his mouth wide open I guess they must have thought that he was a hollow log, 'cause they every one of 'em run right plum into his mouth and down his throat. After they had finished up the flock they both ran into the bushes. I suppose they were lookin' for another flock, so the other snake could get a meal."

There was silence for a period, but the reporter made no comment.

"I don't reckon partridge shootin' will be very good this year," added the Prince George man, reflectively, as he bit off a fresh chew.—Washington Star.

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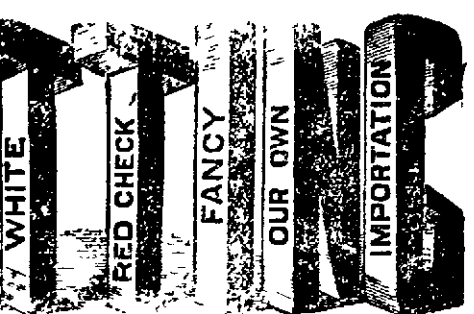
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BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO.

DOWN THEY GO!



CHEAPER THAN EVER!

We have decided to continue our Special Sale another week. The past week's business has been very satisfactory but we still have an immense stock of goods that we propose to convert into cash if prices will do it, and if you need anything in our line come this week and you will buy at your own price. Note the prices mentioned below. Cut out this ad Bring it with you and see for yourself that these goods will positively be sold as advertised.

Chairs and Rockers.

50c Cane Seat High Back Antique Rocker for 50c.

High Chairs, Antique Finish, 50c.

Children's Chairs for 15c.

A Child's Chair Given With Every Purchase.

Cobbler Leather Seat Rockers, Antique, Quarter Sawed Oak or Mahogany Finish, for \$2.50.

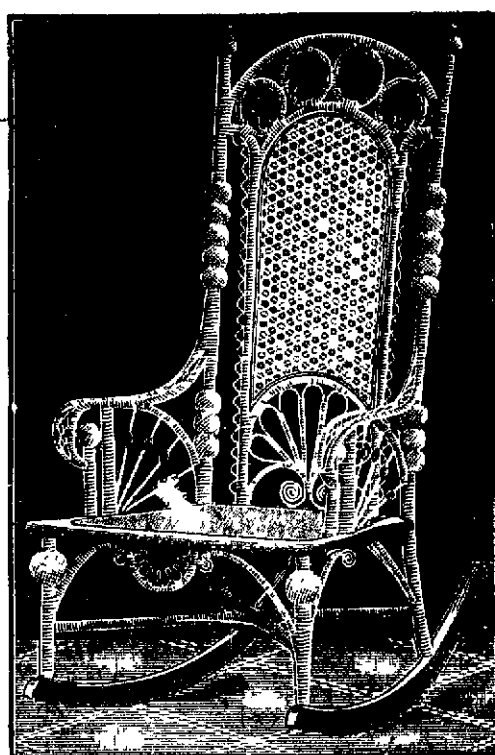
High Back Cane Seat Diners \$3.50; set, \$6.00.

Our \$1.00 Diner Beats the World.

Blacking Boxes, Carpet Top, for 75c.

Corduroy Tufted Spring Edge Couchs for \$10.00.

Iron Wagons, Steel Wheels, for 75c.



LADIES' DESKS

In Quarter Sawed Oak, Birch or Mahogany Finish, for \$5.00.

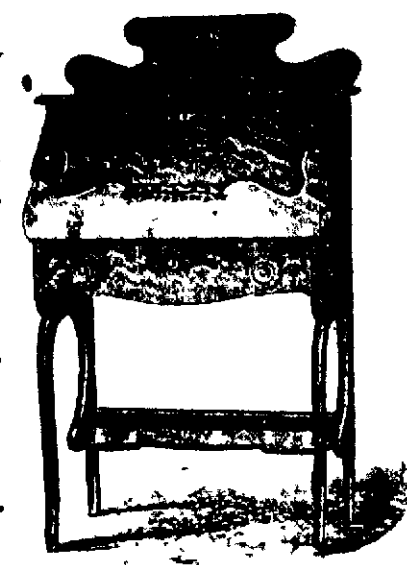
Combination Book Case and Writing Desk, \$11.25

12 Only. Eight-foot Dining Tables, 46x46 inches, Polished Top, in Quarter Sawed Oak for \$6.75. This Table is Worth \$10.00.

2 Large Sized Polished Top Quarter Sawed Oak Center Tables, \$1.65.

Smaller Sized Tables 75c.

Onyx Top Brass Tables for \$4.95.



Parlor Suits

On Tuesday, Dec. 17th will be Special Sale Day on Parlor Suits. We have a large stock of these goods that we propose to sell regardless of cost. We propose to make this the greatest sale ever held in the city. Remember we always sell as advertised. Mail orders will receive prompt attention.

240-22 EAST MAIN ST.

FIRE SALE!

Having purchased the entire stock of Shirts, Waiters' and Barber Coats saved from the great fire by the Columbia Manufacturing Company, the

GEORGE W. JONES & CO.

Clothing House

Have Placed on Sale at the Following LOW PRICES:

Slightly damaged Shirts at 10c, worth 40c to 50c.
" " " " 10c, " 60c to 75c.
" " " " 25c, " 100 to 150
Shirts that are not damaged at 40c, worth 65c
" " " " 50c, " 75c to 100
" Silk striped, not damaged at 50c, worth 100 to 150
" " " " 35c, " 75c to 100
" " " " 50c, " 125 to 150
" " " " 75c, " 125 to 150
" " " " 100, " 175 to 200
" " " " 55c, " 150
All wool, slightly damaged at 50c, worth 100 to 200
Barber Coats and Water Jackets, not damaged, at 50c, worth 125 to 150

We commence with this sale and place our entire stock of Clothing in with it. You cannot afford to miss it. We have decided to reduce our stock of Clothing, Hats, Caps, Trunks, Valises and Grips to make room for new spring goods. The loss of crops to the farmers makes money dear, and we propose to sell you clothing on a par with CORN AT 20c per bushel. Come and avail yourselves of this opportunity to clothe your families for the winter at the low prices. Do not forget the location.
128 Prairie Street. First door west of American Ex. Office., Decatur.

GEORGE W. JONES & CO. CLOTHING HOUSE.

Eichinger's Drug Store

Carries the Newest and Finest Line of

Albums, Collars and Cuff Boxes, Toilet and Manicure Sets, Combs Brushes, Celluloid and Aluminum Goods,

Fine Stationery and Xmas Cards.

Everything in the Drug and Stationery Sundry Lines.

Corner Main and Water Streets.

THIS BIRD HAS HORNS.

Rare Species of the Feathered Tribe Found in South America.

The rarest species of bird now extant, and one which is almost extinct, has its home in the jungles of South America. This ornithological curiosity, says the St. Louis Republic, is known to science as the palamedra cornuda, and to common people as the "horned screamer." As a rare avian nothing could excel the cornuda unless it would be the accidental discovery of a living moose or an ephorion. But few of the bird books even let you know that such a horned paradox ever existed, let alone telling you that living specimens of the queer creature are still occasionally met with. The only one now living in captivity in North America, if the writer has not been misinformed, is that belonging to the aviary of the Philadelphia zoological gardens, and which arrived in this country about three years ago. The creature is about the size of a full-grown turkey hen, and of a blackish brown color. One of its distinguishing peculiarities is a ruffle of black and white which surrounds the head. The horny appendage which caused the early South American explorers to write so many chapters on the "wonderful rhinoceros bird of the jungle," is about four inches in length, and grows straight up out of the heaviest and broadest portion of the head. But the above is not the only natural offensive and defensive weapon with which the horned screamer has been provided. On each wing, at the "elbow" joint, he has a three-inch spur, and just back of that another an inch in length. He is said to be a match for any ten game cocks.

LOTS OF TEN-CENT PIECES

Why There Are So Many of Them Around Is Explained Here.

If you are an observer of small things you have not failed to notice, of late, the enormous number of ten-cent pieces in circulation, says the New York Herald.

Recently, if you went into a store, made a five-cent purchase and gave a dollar bill, it would have been safe to wager that you would have received in change a half-dollar, a quarter and two dimes.

Now, if you go into a store, make a small purchase and lay down a dollar, it is almost a sure thing that you will receive the change in ten-cent pieces.

I went into a bank the other day for change for a five-dollar bill. I received four dollars in ten-cent pieces.

"Can't give you anything else," the paying clerk said.

"Why not?" I asked.

"Because," he said, "every bank in America is overstocked with dimes. About a year ago, when the ten-cent savings bank was so popular, it was almost impossible to get one hundred ten-cent pieces at one time. Consequently the government was compelled to issue millions of them. The ten-cent savings bank is no longer a novelty, and now that there are but few of them in use the dimes are again in circulation. It is a common thing for a large house to deposit 10,000 ten-cent pieces at one time."

One Minute's Cure is a popular remedy for colds, coughs and croup.

ARE PUBLIC PROPERTY.

No One Entitled to Catch Fish Out of Season on His Own Grounds.

The full bench of the supreme court has held in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Richard E. Follett, that public statutes, chapter 91, section 51, prohibit an owner of land, on a stream not navigable, from taking trout from the stream with a net on his own land, as well as they prohibit other persons from doing so. The defendant's exceptions are therefore overruled. The defendant, says the Boston Transcript, is the owner of a trout hatchery at Sheffield. He owned the trout he caught in the net, and took them in that part of the brook under his control for the purpose of stripping them for their spawn. They were then to be turned back into the brook alive. The defendant contended that he was entitled to the trout which he engaged in propagating, had become so tame as to become his absolute property, wherever they might be found in open stream. This proposition, the court held, is not tenable, as "such fish are not of the class of animals which, without confining them in private waters, can become the absolute property of anybody."

FOR LEFT-HANDED MUSICIANS.

Ways in Which Musical Instruments Are Adapted for Their Use.

Violins are adapted for the use of left-handed players by reversing the order of the strings and the location of the brass bar and sounding post. Some left-handed violinists, however, play upon instruments with the strings arranged in the usual manner.

There are no left-handed pianos. Guitars are made left-handed simply by reversing the strings. With the banjo it is necessary also to change the form of the neck on account of the short string. Left-handed futes are made, the location of the keyholes and keys being changed to the opposite side of the fute. There are made left-handed cornets, and occasionally a larger brass instrument, which are so constructed as to bring the pistons as convenient to the player as they are to the right-handed player in the instrument as ordinarily made.

The proportion of musical instruments made left-handed is extremely small, very much less than one per cent.

Paradoxical Nomenclature.

Talking about names, the combination of "Irish & English." Buffalo furniture dealers, has always served them as a good advertisement. Singular to say, however, Mr. Irish is English, and Mr. English is Irish!

Hunting South American Ants.

South American ants have been known to construct a tunnel three miles in length, a labor for their proportionate size to that which would be required for men to tunnel under the Atlantic from New York to London.

Great Danger in Coughs.

A neglected cough is a source of imminent danger to all. Ballard's Honey-hound Syrup is guaranteed to cure the worst cough, whooping cough, sore throat and all other coughs. J. W. Eichinger and C. F. Schilling.

DETROIT, the man who won the first prize in the motorcycle contest at Chicago, lives in Peoria, and will probably make the machine there.

Assignee's Sale

—OF THE—

N. T. Watson Stock!

\$6,000 Worth

—OF—

FINE PIECE GOODS

AND HIGH GRADE

ent's Furnishing Goods

—TO BE—

SLAUGHTERED

at once, and will be sold at prices never before heard of in the city of Decatur.

SUITS MADE TO ORDER

At Prices that Will Astonish You.

JAMES VEALE

will do the cutting and we guarantee satisfaction in every particular.

C. S. HANKINS, Assignee

WE ARE RECEIVING New Goods EACH DAY.

If we were out of what you wanted yesterday, we may have it to-day.

OTTO E. CURTIS & BRO.,

156 EAST MAIN STREET.
113 NORTH WATER ST.

HAVE YOU BOUGHT ANY RUBBERS THIS YEAR?

This is the way of the old song. If you have not bought them you had best go at once to the F. H. Cole Shoe Store and there lay in a supply. The stock is complete in all the best qualities and the price is no higher than inferior goods are sold for. Buy now. A good pair of Rubbers or Overshoes is a whole lot cheaper than trochees, cough drops or anything of like nature. Now is the time to invest.

The F. H. Cole Shoe Co.

OFFERS THE BEST VALUES. BUY NOW.
B. F. BOBO, Manager.
Same Old Stand, 148 East Main Street.

MELCHERS & LOVELAND, LIBRARY BLOCK,

Is the cheapest and best place for

Pictures and Frames

Special Sale This Week!

FINE WATER COLORS,
FINE ETCHINGS,
FINE PHOTOGRAPHS.

Too large stock—want to unload. Any one wanting a fine picture, now is the time to buy. Come and see our prices this week.

J. Edward Saxton's Book Store.
Opposite Citizens' National Bank.

Daily Republican

YOU PAY TOO MUCH.

If you pay more than we charge for Perfumes. We have the best only, and charge no more than you pay for the inferior. Fine odors in cut-glass bottles, and empty cut-glass bottles to be filled with your favorite perfumes, fragrant and lasting.

KING & METZ, - Druggists.

MONDAY, DEC. 16, 1895.

LOCAL NEWS.

CALIFORNIA cars lighted by electricity at night. Everybody welcome. WHITLEY'S hand lotion is the best. THE Vandalia pay car washers to-day. USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

HAVE you been down to the California cars yet?

EXTRA fine albums \$1.25 at West's Drug Store.

THE most wholesome cereal food in existence. "FRIENDS' OATS."

NO SUBSTITUTE or cheap drug used as prescriptions at Whitley's.

USE HINKLE'S BEST FLOUR.

Go to Grass, 308 North Water street, if you wish a fine picture.

dec-7-2w

If you have a cough use Irwin's Rock Balsam. It cures.

HOLIDAY perfumery—special low prices—West's Drug Store.

Go to Irwin's Drug Store for fine grade perfumes at bottom prices.

USE HINKLE'S BEST FLOUR.

HERE at the Union Depot—Santa Clara county on wheels. Be sure and see it.

Dr. L. E. COONRADT, Dentist, rooms 42 and 43, Fenton block. aug-24-dtf

Ten Barbers at Norman's. 26 ct

FANCY goods of all kinds for Christmas, at West's Drug Store.

WHEN you want good meat order it with your groceries from John Finn. dec-12-dtf

CANDY of all kinds from the cheapest to the better grades at Brodres & Co's. dec-14-df

BEST oysters in the city, bulk or can, received direct from Baltimore daily at John Finn's. dec-12-df

USE HINKLE'S BEST FLOUR.

SAY, look at Grass' window. Fine line of imported water colors. Prices the lowest. dec-7-2w

SHOULDER BRACES, atomizers, medicated soaps and hair tonic at Irwin's drug store.

Kalendar Kermis. Kalendar Kermis.

THE Grand Opera House cigars, made by Keck & Weigand, are the best in town. 25ct-5dtf

Go to Grass, 308 North Water street. Finest line of paper hanging in the city. dec-7-2w

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

100 BLOUSE waist sets reduced to 63 and 86 cts., per set from \$1.50 and \$2.00 at Otto E. Curtis & Bro's. dec-10-dlf

USE HINKLE'S BEST FLOUR.

HAVE you tried the Cracker Company's Blue Label Bread? Between three and four thousand loaves sold Saturday. dec-16-1t

Skates, Skates, Skates. C. L. Griswold & Co.

Go to A. L. Brookway, 371 North College street, for Christmas candies, nuts, groceries and meats. Cheap as the cheapest. 12d-2w

WHEN you want to make mince meat you can get all the fruits, meat and sweetener at John Finn's. Telephone 341. dec-12-dtf

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

Go to Grass, 308 North Water street, for fine picture frames. Largest line ever shown in the city. Prices the lowest. dec-7-2w

THE Woman's Home Missionary society of Grace M. E. church will hold its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 24, at Mrs. W. H. Elwood's.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

THE Buyers' and Merchants' Benefit Bureau saves you 4 per cent on your entire living expenses. Call upon the manager L. Chodat and learn how.

300 pairs of Link Off buttons marked down to 50, 63 and 88 cts. from \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00 at Otto E. Curtis & Bro's. dec-10-dlf

USE HINKLE'S BEST FLOUR.

LADIES, if you are interested in choice cake making you are specially invited to attend Prof. Knowlton's lectures on the 9, 11 and 13 o'clock at 3 p. m. Free. California Introducing Co.

NO BETTER soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Mt. Olive. Buy it of M. F. Metz. Personally he can be found at the yard office, 800 North Broadway. For Broadway office, Old Phone, 433; New Phone, 435. Also leave orders with T. W. Cann, 628 North Main, or with Harry Metz, at King & Metz' drug store. Hard coal, all sizes, always in stock at market prices. Nov. 11-dtf

USE HINKLE'S BEST FLOUR.

Mrs. J. C. LIONS, the diphtheria nurse, was called home from Long Creek township, where she has been for the past two days nursing diphtheria. Her sister, Mrs. Etta Chamberlain, is very sick on East Center street. Mrs. Lions reports all cases of diphtheria on the way to recovery and that the two cases in the family of Andy Bauman were some better last night. Mrs. Lions has used the diphtheria remedy in 441 cases in the last four years and 412 have recovered. She says when the physicians find anything that can beat that she will be very glad to quit, but that until they do she will continue her work.

The Fire Department and Water Supply.

The city council meets again to-night and it is fair to assume that the fire department and its needs and the water supply will be again up. At the last meeting of the council the report of the finance committee in relation to the necessity for better fire protection and the expenditure of a great many thousands of dollars was adopted so far as the appointment of a committee to make full investigation of the whole matter is concerned. This special committee will make a report to-night, if it is said, will not be very radical; that is to say, it may not be as far reaching and will not contemplate the large expenditure suggested in the report of the finance committee. After looking the matter over several things have suggested themselves which are important, chief among which may be mentioned that though we have the Holly system it has never been put in operation in one very important respect. That system provides for the arrangement of water mains so that when a fire is under way in a given district the water can be shut off by a system of valves as to other parts of the city, and the entire force applied where it is needed to fight the fire. Such an arrangement would make it possible to throw water with the present power as high as it will be needed in the city. Why this feature, which is the main one in the Holly system, has not been applied in Decatur, so far, not been explained. With it and a steam or two and plenty of ladders, the fire department would be as fully equipped as need be. This, of course, does not dispose of the supply question at the water works. The present reservoir holds only one day's supply of water and it will be but a short time until it will not hold a day's supply, for the city is growing rapidly. This calls to mind the fact that it will be only a matter of time when perhaps the entire plant will have to be changed. This would mean that in the nature of things what is done at the water works now must necessarily be temporary. If this be true it should be taken into account by the council, and whenever money is expended it should be in view of this temporary character of the present pumping station. The council it is understood is being more and more impressed with this state of facts, and it is not likely they will attempt to appropriate money on the assumption that the present plant will be permanent.

CIRCUIT COURT NEWS.

Carroll vs. Carroll Divorce Case on Trial—A New Receiver.

Judge Vail resumed the business of the September term of the circuit court this afternoon. He has been holding court at Sullivan but he took a recess there until January 3, so that he can put in time at Decatur.

In the case of Finn & Delahanty vs. Mark Moran, the court appointed D. W. Heilmann as receiver in place of L. E. Eymann.

W. B. Brown was fined \$25 and costs for keeping his saloon open on Sunday.

The case now on trial is that of Mrs. Ella Carroll against Thomas Carroll, a divorce proceeding. The complainant alleges cruelty and drunkenness. In the cross bill Carroll alleges desertion. There is one child, a boy, now in charge of the wife. Letorjee & Lee and Bunn & Park appear for the complainant, and Creswell & Walker for the defendant. The attorneys are selecting a jury to hear the evidence.

THE LUTZ OPENING.

Reception To-Night at the Music House in Temple Block.

The grand opening of the Lutz music house in the Temple block on North Water street, will occur this evening from 7 to 11 o'clock. The public generally is invited by Mr. Lutz to visit the new parlour and enjoy a few hours of vocal and instrumental music to be executed by some of the best talent in the city. It will be an occasion of rare pleasure and special interest, as it will mark the formal opening of one of the most complete music houses in the state. All who call during the evening will be presented with a popular musical souvenir.

AFTER BIDS.

Gus Ahrens Getting Ready to Put Up a \$2,000 Building.

Gus Ahrens will have his new bottling works building erected in a short time on North Jackson street. It will be 26x80 feet in size, and will be thoroughly fitted up for the business. It will cost \$2,000. Gus is a hustler and now has the plans in the hands of contractors for bids.

Xmas Candies at Brodres & Co's.

Sales of Real Estate.

Robert H. Oliphant and A. W. Harris' addition—\$1.

George Jackson to James Phoenix, lots 9 and 10, block 4, Brodres' addition to Niantic—\$470.

Frank Reinhold to J. E. Strohm, lot 3 and 10 feet in width of the east side of lot 4, block 2, George F. Wessell's addition—\$3,000.

J. E. Strohm to Margaret Reinhold, 40 feet of the entire east side lot 11, and 10 feet of the west side lot 12, block 6, Western addition—\$3,500.

James E. Osborn to Mattie B. Heath, lot 10, block 1, J. E. Osborn's addition—\$200.

Death of a Brother.

J. B. McMillin, manager of the Central Union Telephone company, accompanied by his wife, has gone to Champaign to attend the funeral of his brother, J. T. McMillin. The brother was accidentally killed while at work in the Washburn yards at Toledo, Ohio, on Saturday morning. Deceased leaves a wife and one son.

Shooting Match.

There will be a shooting match Thursday morning at 10 o'clock at the Athletic Park. It will be a contest between Geo. Rupert and Oscar Rupert for a purse of \$100. There will be other contests for local and visiting sportsmen as 500 live birds, 50 turkeys and other articles are to be offered.

Installed.

The Rev. Frank C. Oberly was formally installed Sunday forenoon as the pastor of the English Lutheran church in place of Rev. M. L. Wagner who is now in charge of the church at Vandalia. The Rev. Mr. Sadler, of Chicago, conducted the ceremony and preached the sermon.

Marriage Licenses.

George A. Drake, Niantic. 20

Ida E. Brock, Niantic. 20

P. W. Mackinow, Decatur. 30

Mary Briley, Decatur. 29

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HUDSON AT THE ASYLUM.

Declared Insane at Taylorville—Officer Dempsey a Witness.

In the county court at Taylorville Saturday Elijah B. Hudson, the farmer who while crazy was arrested in Decatur with two loaded revolvers, a bowie knife and \$125 in pocket books on his person, was adjudged insane. Officer Dempsey was a witness. The Democrat says:

A jury was impaneled and the evidence heard. It took but a short time for the jury to return a verdict of insanity and he was taken to Jacksonville the same evening. The prisoner was in a peculiar mood and would interrupt the witnesses continually with his witty remarks. He has evidently been a man of extensive and general reading and fairly well educated. He is possessed of considerable property and has fully 10,000 bushels of corn on his farm in Mt. Auburn township. He has picked it up for four years and has refused to sell it. Late it appears that he has been pushed a little for money and this weighed upon his mind so as to cause his insanity. He was laboring under the delusion that the banks were oppressing the poor and that his more wealthy neighbors had formed a combination to make the poorer ones sell their corn. He was much excited and talked continually, most of the time in a peculiar way, but at times in a pathetic and half-dramatic manner. Since his arrest in Decatur he has refused to eat, fearing poison. He went to Jacksonville very quietly, his guards leading him to believe that he would meet Governor Altgeld and John G. Drennan there and that they would get him out of the trouble.

LOTS OF FUN.

Decatur Wheelmen Ride Ordinaries—Linn Wimmer Has Grief.

A large number of Decatur wheelmen were out Sunday on a pleasure run about the city. It was the purpose of all to ride ordinaries, but when the time came only two, of the many that in years gone by could be seen on our streets, were resurrected, and these were mounted by Frank Faries and George Hart. With them, however, there were over 25 other wheelmen mounted on safeties, and it fell to the lot of every safety rider to ride one of the ordinaries. The efforts of the riders to mount the high wheel were very laughable and amusing, and there were not a few headers. Some were riders when the high wheels were all the rage and these few had an easy time of it. Frank Ford made a successful start but had hardly gone a block until he struck a brick and he went flying over the handle bars. Linn Wimmer distinguished himself by his riding. After repeated trials he mounted and was riding nicely until he reached the hill on West Wood street, when his old-time anxiety to sprint around every rider on the course was too much for him and he cut loose. All went well until just as he thought he had safely reached the bottom of the decline, and lo! he hit a brick. Well, of all the headers ever taken off a high wheel, his was surely the nicest. It would have made a mule laugh. If he struck the ground once he did a half a dozen times, and when everything was quiet and calm, the other wheelmen found poor Linn under the fifty-pound wheel, his new bicycle put badly torn, all covered with dust, and his nice, new Sunday Dunlap driven down over his head to his shoulders. Linn, after straightening himself around and getting his bearings, quit the scene cold, and when asked if he would ever try it again, replied in a very disgusted manner, "Well, I guess not."

THE CARS ARE HERE.

California Products Viewed Daily by Hundreds.

The two handsome cars carrying the products of Santa Clara county, California, which were to have arrived here last Friday night, were delayed 12 hours and reached here Saturday night at 9 o'clock. They were warmly greeted, as the cars were packed within a very few minutes after their arrival. As an exhibit it is the largest and handsomest that has ever been seen here. The products are tastefully displayed in two cars, which are stationed near the Union depot, and are very instructive, no one passing through the cars without being satisfied that the climate of California is truly a wonderful one.

A large number of ladies are always in attendance at Prof. Knowlton's lecture on choice cake baking, which to all is very instructive. Every lady is admitted free. The hours are 9 to 11:30 a. m. and 1:30 to 5:30 p. m.

It is also interesting to the men to listen to Manager Leak's talk on wines in his private rooms on the cars. He demonstrates his talk by pulling the corks of twenty-one varieties of C. Schilling & Co's. pure old California wines. He claims that the Shilling wine is equal to three-fourths of the high priced imported article and challenges dealers, who think they have choice goods, to compare samples. Mr. Leak is sent out by the Santa Clara County, California, introducing company and also travels under contract for ten years with C. Schilling, famous dispenser of pure California wines. He travels anywhere and everywhere and during the five years he has completed of the original contract has gained upon and admired or not admired nearly every state in the union. In company with his wife, who has been his constant companion, he has set off one end of a car for their sanctum and it also serves as a private reception room. To one who is so fortunate as to receive a special invitation to consult the manager, he will hardly cling to the idea of leaving. Samples of wine are passed, not the adulterated, but pure genuine wines of sweet flavor, beneficial to the invalid and harmless to the unadvised.

Christian Tabernacle.

There was a large audience at the morning service. Rev. Geo. F. Hall preached on "Only Two Kinds of People," basing his remarks on the poem of the same title from the pen of Ella Wheeler Wilcox. The two kinds referred to are not the rich and poor, nor the saint and sinner, nor the humble and proud, but those who live and those who lean. All are hinderers in the work of the Gospel who are not helpers.

The Joseph Hill Will.

In the county court Saturday the last will of the late Joseph Hill, which was drawn up November 13, was admitted to probate. The testator was the farmer in Wheatland township, who, on November 19, took his own life by shooting himself through the head. The will was drawn the day before Hill committed suicide for he was deliberate about the matter and as far as he could arranged his business matters before his death. In his will he named George S. Conrad of Decatur as executor. The property is a personal estate valued at \$2,000 and about 120 acres of farm land a mile east of Elwin. He gave his gold watch to his son, Jacob H. Hill, and everything else, real and personal, he gave to his wife so long as she shall remain his widow or during her natural life. In case she marries again the property goes to the executor in fee simple to be held in trust for the minor heirs, but the executor is empowered to at any time dispose of the property, if he shall deem it advisable for the best interest of the heirs. Mr. Conrad gave an approved bond and Frank and Isaac Cornthwaite and Charles E. Conrad were appointed appraisers of the estate.

Why His Honor Couldn't Decide.

Judge Buck of the superior court, Washington state, has been hearing arguments in the case of the state against John W. Considine, proprietor of a variety theater, who is charged with the crime of having violated a new state law called the "barnyard act," which prohibits females from being employed in any place where liquor is sold, and which was being attacked as to its constitutionality. The lawyers had all assembled in court the other morning to resume arguments when Judge Buck arose and said:

"Gentlemen, I learned for the first time last night that my wife was the author of that bill, and that being the case, I will decline to pass upon the question of its constitutionality."

The arguments will now have to be gone over again before one of the other judges. —St. Louis Globe-Democrat

Greatest Whistler in the World.

Prof. H. S. Ruggs, who appears at the Tabernacle to-morrow night, December 17, is said to be "the most artistic whistler in the world." In addition to a humorous lecture, he will give character delineations, together with a number of elocutionary and vocal selections. But his whistling will alone be worth the price of admission, which is only 25 cents, including reserved seats that now open at Otto E. Curtis & Bro's.

Called Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the Vonteer Firemen's association on next Wednesday evening at the corner rooms at 7:30 o'clock. Business of importance. A full attendance is desired. Geo. W. Knapp, President.

Pastor Resigned.

D. O. Giffin, pastor of the U. B. church at Cammer, has resigned and Rev. Ben nett has succeeded to the pastorate.

Highest of all in Leavening Power—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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LOTS OF FUN.

Decatur Wheelmen Ride Ordinaries—Linn Wimmer Has Grief.

A large number of Decatur wheelmen were out Sunday on a pleasure run about the city. It was the purpose of all to ride ordinaries, but when the time came only two, of the many that in years gone by could be seen on our streets, were resurrected, and these were mounted by Frank Faries and George Hart. With them, however, there were over 25 other wheelmen mounted on safeties, and it fell to the lot of every safety rider to ride one of the ordinaries. The efforts of the riders to mount the high wheel were very laughable and amusing, and there were not a few headers. Some were riders when the high wheels were all the rage and these few had an easy time of it. Frank Ford made a successful start but had hardly gone a block until he struck a brick and he went flying over the handle bars. Linn Wimmer distinguished himself by his riding. After repeated trials he mounted and was riding nicely until he reached the hill on West Wood street, when his old-time anxiety to sprint around every rider on the course was too much for him and he cut loose. All went well until just as he thought he had safely reached the bottom of the decline, and lo! he hit a brick. Well, of all the headers ever taken off a high wheel, his was surely the nicest. It would have made a mule laugh. If he struck the ground once he did a half a dozen times, and when everything was quiet and calm, the other wheelmen found poor Linn under the fifty-pound wheel, his new bicycle put badly torn, all covered with dust, and his nice, new Sunday Dunlap driven down over his head to his shoulders. Linn, after straightening himself around and getting his bearings, quit the scene cold, and when asked if he would ever try it again, replied in a very disgusted manner, "Well, I guess not."

THE CARS ARE HERE.

California Products Viewed Daily by Hundreds.

The two handsome cars carrying the products of Santa Clara county, California, which were to have arrived here last Friday night, were delayed 12 hours and reached here Saturday night at 9 o'clock. They were warmly greeted, as the cars were packed within a very few minutes after their arrival. As an exhibit it is the largest and handsomest that has ever been seen here. The products are tastefully displayed in two cars, which are stationed near the Union depot, and are very instructive, no one passing through the cars without being satisfied that the climate of California is truly a wonderful one.

A large number of ladies are always in attendance at Prof. Knowlton's lecture on choice cake baking, which to all is very instructive. Every lady is admitted free. The hours